

houses to examine and ascertain, whether there be any, and if any, what business now before the legislature, which the public interest imperiously requires should be acted upon during the present session. The senate are induced to take this step from an anxious desire to terminate the session as speedily as possible, and yet, to leave unfinished no measure calculated to promote the public prosperity and happiness. The senate name on their part Messrs. Heath and Harrison to compose their committee.

By order,

W. Kilty, Clk.

-Mr. Tyson then offered the following message:

By the House of Delegates, March 9th, 1827.

Gentlemen of the Senate,

We have received your message, proposing to appoint a joint committee of the two houses, to examine and ascertain whether there be any, and if any, what business now before the legislature, which imperiously requires to be acted on at this time. We concur therein, and have appointed on our part Messrs. Tyson, Done, Goldsborough, Stevens and Banning, to compose the committee of the house.

Which was twice read,

When Mr. Du Val proposed the following as a substitute therefor:

By the House of Delegates, March 9th, 1827.

We have received a message from your honourable body, proposing a joint committee to arrange the business for an adjournment, and regret that we cannot assent to the same.

Which was also twice read, and the question taken on the adoption thereof. It was determined in the negative.

The question then recurred and was taken on agreeing to the message submitted by Mr. Tyson as above. It was resolved in the affirmative.

The house adjourned until this evening six o'clock.

SIX O'CLOCK, P. M. FRIDAY, March 9th, 1827.

The house met, pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker being in the chair, the roll was called; when the following members, being present, answered to their respective names, viz. Messrs. Hawkins, Millard, Gough, R. Thomas, Wilmer, Campbell, Boon, Ringgold, Stewart, Compton, Kent, Linthicum, Bourne, Somervell, M. Smith, Chapman, Rogerson, J. Hughes, King, Price, Buchanan, Turner, Reyner, Denny, Banning, Done, Dennis, Gibbons, Teackle, Goldsborough, Wright, Griffith, Sullivan, J. W. Thomas, Harlan, Thompson, Maffitt, Beall, Peach, Du Val, Gantt, Speed, Crabb, Stevens, Nicholson, Winchester, Kidgaway, S. R. Smith, Slemaker, Bishop, Hitch, Barnes, Sappington, Farquhar, M. Ilhenny, Hope, Norris, Sutton,